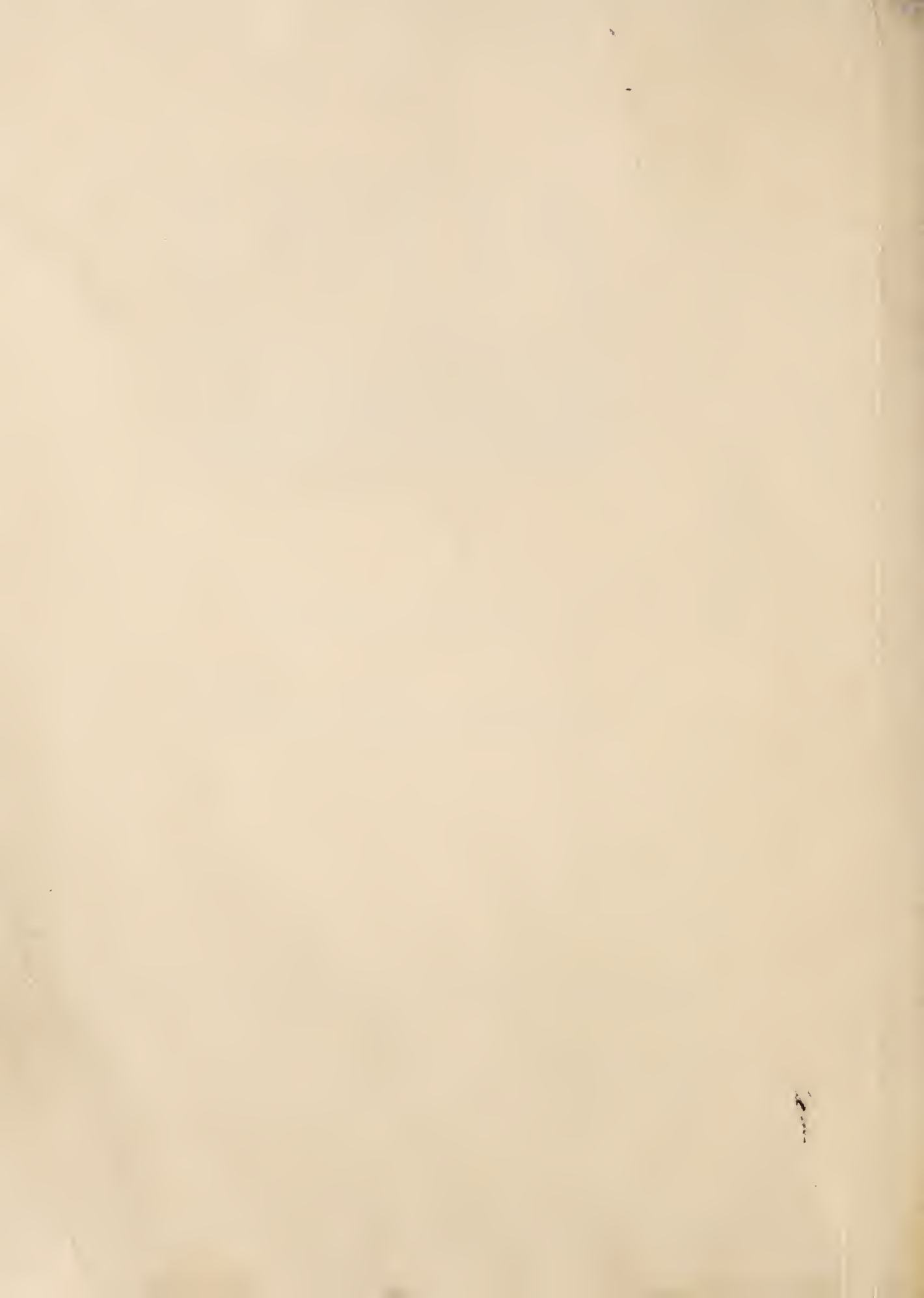


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Summary

Citrus crop prospects in Florida and Texas were reduced sharply as a result of the late January freeze. Although parts of the crops had already been marketed, the damage was severe to unharvested fruit, and total supplies of oranges and grapefruit available for the period February to May are indicated to be about one-third smaller than a year earlier. Market prices of these two fruits in recent weeks have reflected the changed situation and have advanced considerably. As a consequence the averages in early February were slightly higher than a year earlier. Since the freeze did not extend to California, orange production in that area was not affected; in fact, production prospects have improved slightly for navel oranges and lemons.

The out-of-storage movement of apples and pears continued unusually large in January, despite the reduced export movement, and market prices advanced slightly. Cold storage holdings of these two fruits on February 1 were indicated to be slightly smaller than a year earlier. If exports do not increase from recent low levels, however, larger supplies of apples and pears than a year earlier will continue to be made available for domestic consumption.

Prospects for early strawberries were also reduced by the late January freeze. Shipments in recent weeks have been negligible, and market prices have risen sharply. Marketings of commercially frozen strawberries during January were larger than a year earlier, however, and they probably will continue larger until fresh berries become more plentiful. February stocks of

strawberries and other frozen fruits combined are indicated to be slightly larger than a year earlier.

January 1 stocks of important California canned fruits are indicated to be slightly smaller than a year earlier and considerably smaller than the large stocks on January 1, 1938.

CITRUS FRUITS

The indicated production of winter oranges and grapefruit in Florida and Texas was sharply reduced by the late January freeze. Preliminary reports indicate that the loss amounted to 7.9 million boxes of winter oranges, 6.2 million boxes of grapefruit, and 600,000 boxes of tangerines. The damage was most severe in Florida, where the loss is indicated at 7.6 million boxes of oranges, 3.4 million boxes of grapefruit, and 600,000 boxes of tangerines. In Texas early indications point to losses of 280,000 boxes of oranges and 2.8 million boxes of grapefruit.

It is estimated that about three-fourths of the early and mid-season oranges and tangerines, very few Valencia oranges, and slightly more than two-fifths of the grapefruit crop had been harvested prior to February 1, when a shipping embargo was made effective in order to prevent frozen fruit from reaching the market. The embargo remained in effect until February 8. In Texas about one-half of the orange crop and about a third of the grapefruit crop had been harvested prior to the freeze.

The freeze did not effect the California winter orange crop, and production prospects improved during January to 16.1 million boxes from 15.4 million indicated as of January 1. The central California navels are mostly harvested, whereas in the southern district harvesting as of February 1 was about one-eighth complete.

On the basis of preliminary information concerning crop prospects, marketings to about February 1, and losses from the freeze in Florida and Texas, the supply of winter oranges available for market after February 1 is indicated to be about 30 percent less than that available a year earlier. These oranges will be the important source of market supplies until about the middle of May, when the California Valencia crop is expected to begin moving in volume. Indications also point to a reduction of about 35 percent from a year earlier in the supply of grapefruit available for the remainder of the current season.

Production prospects for lemons increased slightly during January, and the crop was indicated to total 11.1 million boxes as of February 1 compared with 10.6 million boxes the indicated crop a month earlier, and with 11.3 million the crop produced in 1938-39.

As a result of the reduced prospects for winter oranges and grapefruit and the disruption of marketings, prices of these two fruits in market centers

rose sharply during the last half of January. Auction prices of Florida oranges at New York City rose 57 cents per box between the week ended January 20 and the week ended February 3. The rise in prices of California navel oranges amounted to 83 cents per box, of Florida grapefruit, 55 cents, and of Texas grapefruit at Chicago, 30 cents per box. As a consequence, orange and grapefruit prices in early February averaged slightly higher than a year earlier. Lemon prices changed very little during the month but in early February averaged well above those of a year earlier.

APPLES

Cold storage holdings of apples on February 1 totaled 20.3 million bushels, or slightly less than those of a year earlier and about 8 percent less than the recent 5-year average holdings on February 1. The out-of-storage movement during January amounted to 5.9 million bushels, or slightly more than the 5.6 million bushels moved out in January 1939 and more than the recent 5-year average for January of 5.3 million bushels.

In view of the sharply reduced export movement of apples this season compared with last the increased disappearance of apples apparently went into domestic consumption. Exports in January 1939 totaled 2.4 million bushels, and if this amount is deducted from the out-of-storage movement for that month about 3.2 million bushels are indicated as having been made available for the domestic market in January 1939. If exports in January 1940 were no larger than in December 1939, the indicated movement into domestic markets in January 1940 totaled 5.6 million bushels, or an increase of nearly 75 percent.

The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation continues to purchase apples for relief distribution, with purchases in January totaling close to 1,268,000 bushels. These purchases have offset to some extent the effect of the reduction in exports and have helped to strengthen market prices. Whereas prices probably would have declined in January under the pressure of the heavy domestic marketings, they rose slightly during the month and in early February averaged somewhat higher than a month earlier. Auction prices of western apples in eastern cities averaged higher than a year earlier.

PEARS

Pear stocks as of February 1 totaled 716,000 boxes (including a few bushel baskets) compared with 879,000 a year earlier and 632,000 the recent 5-year average for February 1. These holdings indicate that the out-of-storage movement during January amounted to 479,000 boxes, or slightly less than the 525,000 boxes moved out in January 1939 but more than the average January disappearance of 411,000 boxes. If the export movement in January 1940 continued lower than a year earlier, as it has in the earlier months of the current season, the movement into domestic markets probably was about as large as in January 1939, despite the reduced total out-of-storage movement this January. The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation purchased about 135,000 boxes of pears during January and thereby increased the total movement. Market prices of pears advanced slightly in recent weeks and in early February averaged higher than a year earlier.

The first cargo of 7,015 boxes of pears from Argentina arrived at New York City on February 7 and were sold at auction at average price of \$2.61 per box; the second cargo of 36,000 boxes arrived on February 16 and about 14,000 boxes were sold at an average price of \$2.46 per box. On the basis of reported charterings of spaces total imports of pears from Argentina this season are expected to be about double the 97,000 boxes imported last season. The total crop produced in the Argentine this season is expected to be only about one-half as large as the 1939 crop.

STRAWBERRIES AND FROZEN AND CANNED FRUIT SUPPLIES

The freezing weather of late January severely damaged the bloom and fruit of Florida strawberries, and lowered prospective yields. As a consequence, the Florida crop, indicated as of February 1, totals only 432,000 24-quart crates compared with 540,000 crates indicated a month earlier and 765,000 crates the production in 1939. The Florida crop was late this season, and prior to the freeze only a few solid cartons had been shipped. Since the freeze no cartons have been moved and market prices have risen sharply.

Stocks of frozen strawberries as of February 1 totaled 34.2 million pounds, slightly more than a year earlier, and indicate that the out-of-storage movement during January amounted to about 3.2 million pounds. In January 1939 only about 2.2 million pounds were moved out of storage. Storage holdings of frozen strawberries reached a seasonal low of 22.0 million pounds on May 1, 1939 but if the out-of-storage movement continues larger than a year earlier, as it was in January this year, it is likely that the holdings on May 1, 1940 will be somewhat below those of 1939.

Cold storage holdings of all frozen fruits combined on February 1 were indicated to be only slightly larger than a year earlier but about 35 percent larger than the recent 5-year average for February 1. Only holdings of blueberries, loganberries, and the unclassified items were lower than a year earlier. Net disappearance of all frozen fruits is indicated to have totaled 11.2 million pounds in January compared with 9 million pounds in January 1939 and 6.4 million pounds the recent 5-year average.

January 1 stocks of important canned fruits in California were reported to be only slightly smaller than a year earlier but about 27 percent smaller than the unusually large stocks of 2 years ago. Stocks of apricots, pears, and clingstone peaches were lower than a year earlier, but stocks of cherries (fruit cocktail and salad) and freestone peaches were considerably larger. Shipments of these canned fruits from the beginning of season to January 1 were also slightly below those of a year earlier, but total sales were indicated to be the largest on record. If shipments after January 1 are maintained at about the levels of the previous year, carry-over stocks at the beginning of the new season will be about normal and the demand for fruit for canning probably will be fairly strong this season.

Table 1.- Apples, western: Weighted average auction price per box, all grades, at New York and Chicago, by specified varieties and weeks, 1939-40

Market and week	1939				1940			
	Washington			All	Washington			All
	Winesap	Delicious	Rome Beauty	leading varieties	Winesap	Delicious	Rome Beauty	leading varieties
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York								
Jan. 13	1.87	1.95	1.61	1.90	1.56	1.88	1.64	1.78
20	1.93	1.94	1.89	1.93	1.64	1.93	1.69	1.84
27	1.90	1.88	1.70	1.84	1.78	2.00	1.72	1.91
Feb. 3	1.89	1.82	1.59	1.78	1.79	2.01	1.94	1.90
10	1.72	1.94	1.54	1.81	1.81	2.02	1.92	1.96
	Jona- than	Delicious	Rome Beauty	All lead- ing vari- eties	Jona- than	Delicious	Rome Beauty	All lead- ing vari- eties
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Chicago								
Jan. 13	1.64	1.71	1.57	1.69	1.79	1.67	1.48	1.62
20	1.57	1.56	1.49	1.57	1.71	1.69	1.52	1.64
27	1.36	1.50	1.40	1.46	1.76	1.76	1.55	1.70
Feb. 3	1.80	1.62	1.57	1.64	1.49	1.83	1.65	1.70
10	1.61	1.65	1.43	1.57	1.54	1.82	1.54	1.70

Table 2.- Pears, western: Weighted average auction price per box, all grades, at New York and Chicago, by specified varieties and weeks, 1939-40

Market and week	1939				1940			
	Comice	Bosc	D'Anjou	All va- rieties	Comice	Bosc	D'Anjou	All va- rieties
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
New York								
Jan. 13	1.79	1.95	2.06	1.98	2.14	1.83	1.93	1.92
20	1.90	1.89	2.16	2.06	2.22	1.79	1.91	1.90
27	1.73	1.86	1.95	1.89	2.56	1.81	1.92	1.95
Feb. 3	1.95	2.20	1.85	1.88	2.84	2.00	1.97	2.00
10	1.94	2.31	1.89	1.97	2.82	2.06	2.17	2.19
	Winter Nelis	Bosc	D'Anjou	All va- rieties	Winter Nelis	Bosc	D'Anjou	All va- rieties
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Chicago								
Jan. 13	---	1.92	1.82	1.85	---	1.88	1.88	1.88
20	---	1.60	1.96	1.81	---	---	1.99	1.99
27	---	---	1.93	1.93	---	1.97	2.00	2.00
Feb. 3	1.43	---	1.85	1.82	---	1.93	2.07	2.05
10	1.38	---	1.80	1.74	---	---	1.93	1.87

Table 3.- Oranges: Total weekly shipments from producing areas, by varieties, September to February 1938-40 1/

Week ended	Calif.					Calf.					Total	
	Calif.	Ariz.	Navels	Fla.	Tex.	Calif.	Ariz.	Navels	Fla.	Tex.	Com-	Relief
	Valen-	& mis-	cella-		2/	Valen-	& mis-	cella-	3/		mer-	pur-
	cias		neous			cias		neous			cial	chases
											2/	4/
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
	1938					1939						
Sept. 2	1,728	---	---	---	1,728	1,429	---	---	---	1,429	66	
9	1,460	---	---	---	1,460	1,297	---	---	---	1,297	57	
16	1,709	---	11	---	1,720	1,428	---	---	---	1,428	62	
23	1,540	---	37	46	1,623	1,308	---	---	---	1,308	53	
30	1,497	---	103	50	1,650	1,319	---	31	---	1,350	1	
Oct. 7	1,429	---	384	57	1,871	1,516	---	186	16	1,718	0	
14	1,385	---	688	78	2,152	1,337	---	876	114	2,327	0	
21	1,157	---	582	119	1,874	911	---	1,102	169	2,186	0	
28	1,110	---	1,004	139	2,289	740	---	1,008	170	1,976	106	
Nov. 4	619	---	1,292	181	2,194	510	---	1,184	157	1,950	49	
11	338	5	1,214	168	2,006	329	76	1,180	191	1,904	0	
18	205	306	1,773	199	2,911	219	502	1,639	227	2,992	0	
25	141	1,072	1,403	224	3,259	158	1,152	1,420	252	3,321	0	
Dec. 2	77	1,338	1,709	260	3,883	78	1,185	1,625	224	3,605	0	
9	40	1,409	2,273	298	4,733	58	1,449	2,142	224	4,401	0	
16	16	930	3,081	354	5,207	54	852	3,300	359	5,265	300	
23	2	672	2,012	217	3,594	43	619	2,532	293	4,183	385	
30	4	758	1,374	143	2,834	28	557	1,184	147	2,198	216	
	1939					1940						
Jan. 6	3	761	1,896	241	3,542	22	692	1,887	150	3,219	160	
13	2	793	2,061	197	3,433	10	323	2,246	191	3,067	164	
20	---	992	2,128	255	3,620	19	1,003	2,031	177	3,499	188	
27	---	1,017	2,048	220	3,646	14	1,316	2,069	194	3,823	158	
Feb. 3	---	896	1,941	329	3,447	---	1,038	2,872	281	4,316	32	
10	---	669	2,276	372	3,585	---	807	257	320	1,417	1	

1/ Rail, boat, and truck. No truck shipments reported for Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi; total truck shipments originating in Texas; interstate truck shipments only from Florida, California, and Arizona.

2/ Includes shipments from Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, and tangerines.

3/ Excluding relief shipments.

4/ Purchases made by Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation.

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Table 5.- Grapes, California Emperor: Weighted average auction price per lug, at New York and Chicago, by specified weeks, 1939-40

Market	Week ended									
	1939					1940				
	Jan.		Feb.			Jan.		Feb.		
	14	21	28	4	11	13	20	27	3	10
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York	1.95	1.87	1.41	1.45	1.68	1.49	1.66	1.67	1.62	1.56
Chicago	2.02	1.37	1.10	---	1.55	1.66	1.39	1.41	1.54	2.35

Table 6.- Strawberries: Acreage, yield per acre, and indicated production, 1940 with comparisons 1/

Group and State	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	10-year:		1940	10-yr.:		Indi-: 1940	10-year:		Indi-: 1940
	average:	1939		av.:	1939		average:	1939	
	1929-38:			1929-38:			1929-38:		
							1,000	1,000	1,000
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Crates	Crates	Crates	crates	crates	crates
Early (1):									
Florida	8,420	9,000	7,200	70	85	60	589	765	432
			Prolin.						Report due
Early (2):									
Alabama	3,920	3,600	3,500	75	35		292	306	
Louisiana	20,090	20,000	23,000	84	70		1,268	1,400	Mar. 9
Mississippi	840	350	300	53	65		42	23	
Texas	2,400	1,900	1,700	55	57		130	103	
Group total ...	27,230	25,850	28,800	63.6	71.1		1,732	1,837	
Second Early:									
Arkansas	18,280	16,900	13,500	43	52		784	879	
California, S. District ...	1,690	2,100	2,150	185	156		312	328	
Georgia	480	250	200	54	75		26	19	Apr. 9
North Carolina:	7,790	7,900	5,900	75	64		583	506	
South Carolina:	500	300	300	66	75		33	22	
Tennessee	16,130	17,000	17,850	46	50		750	550	
Virginia	6,430	7,700	8,000	76	68		490	524	
Group total ...	51,350	52,150	47,200	58.0	60.0		2,978	3,128	
			Intended						
Intermediate 2/:	47,230	51,520	54,300	63.5	59.5		2,751	3,063	May 9
Late (1) 2/:	25,310	28,600	30,800	67.7	81.5		1,714	2,330	May 22
Late (2) 2/:	22,120	27,300	29,750	63.8	91.6		1,412	2,501	June 8
Total all									
States	177,680	194,420	198,750	62.9	70.1		11,176	13,624	

1/ Estimates include undetermined quantities used for processing.

2/ Data are from release of October 10, 1939 (TC-39: 1017).

Table 7.- Citrus fruits: Production, average 1928-37, annual 1938, and indicated 1939

Crop and State	Production 1/				
	Average 1928-37	1938	Indi- cated 1939	1939 as percent- age of average	1939 as percent- age of 1938
	1,000 boxes	1,000 boxes	1,000 boxes	Percent	Percent
Oranges:					
Winter and spring varieties -					
Calif. navels and misc.	15,335	17,907	16,060	104.7	89.7
Florida, all	17,842	33,900	27,700	155.3	81.7
Early and mid-season	2/ 11,120	17,500	16,400	147.5	93.7
Valencias	2/ 7,180	13,000	9,000	125.3	69.2
Tangerines	2/ 2,280	3,400	2,300	100.9	67.6
Texas	677	2,815	2,450	361.9	87.0
Arizona	180	430	460	255.6	107.0
Alabama	78	96	75	96.2	78.1
Mississippi	39	85	59	151.3	69.4
Louisiana	255	385	212	83.1	55.1
Total	34,405	55,618	47,016	136.7	84.5
Summer and early fall varieties-					
Calif. Valencias	19,380	23,245	23,680	122.2	101.9
Total 7 States 3/	53,785	78,863	70,696	131.4	89.6
Grapefruit:					
Florida, all	12,838	23,600	13,700	106.7	58.1
Seedless	2/ 4,480	7,900	5,200	116.1	65.8
Other	2/ 9,540	15,700	8,500	89.1	54.1
Texas	3,538	15,670	12,400	350.5	79.1
Arizona	1,003	2,700	2,900	289.1	107.4
California	1,544	1,744	1,800	116.6	103.2
Total 4 States 3/	18,923	43,714	30,800	162.8	70.5
Lemons:					
California 3/	7,881	11,322	11,100	140.8	98.0
Limes:					
Florida	20	95	4/ 95	475.0	475.0

1/ Relates to crop from bloom of year shown, picking beginning November 1 in California and September 1 in other States. For some States, in certain years, production includes some quantities donated to charity and/or eliminated on account of market conditions.

2/ Short-time average.

3/ Net content of boxes varies. In California and Arizona the approximate average for oranges is 70 pounds net and grapefruit 60 pounds; in Florida and other States, oranges 90 pounds and grapefruit 80 pounds; California lemons about 76 pounds net.

4/ December 1 indicated production.

Table 8.- Citrus fruits: Weighted average auction price per box, New York and Chicago, by specified weeks, 1939-40

Market and week	Oranges				Grapefruit				Lemons	
	Calif.	Navels:	Florida		Texas	Florida			Calif.	
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York										
Jan. 13	2.68	2.36	1.86	1.81	2.19	2.07	1.68	1.99	3.79	4.51
20	2.65	2.39	1.79	1.71	2.40	2.12	1.77	1.79	3.74	4.38
27	2.56	2.72	1.81	1.83	2.41	2.32	1.96	1.95	3.83	4.38
Feb. 3	2.53	3.22	1.83	2.38	2.26	2.42	1.75	2.34	3.68	4.51
10	2.53	3.12	2.04	2.25	2.14	2.36	1.73	1.92	3.71	4.52
17	2.61	3.03	1.92	3.01	1.92	2.21	1.66	2.28	3.85	4.47
Chicago										
Jan. 13	2.66	2.65	2.02	1.95	1.93	1.80	1.86	2.22	3.83	4.33
20	2.62	2.68	1.89	1.81	1.95	1.72	1.68	1.82	4.10	4.16
27	2.49	2.85	1.95	1.92	2.06	2.09	1.67	2.17	3.83	4.24
Feb. 3	2.37	3.07	2.04	2.30	2.10	2.07	1/1.30	2.13	4.02	4.64
10	2.32	3.04	2.10	2.04	1.97	1.96	1/2.05	1.49	4.03	4.33
17	2.45		1.99		1.83		1.92		4.39	

1/ Less than 500 boxes.

Table 9.- Exports of specified fresh and dried fruits from the United States, by months, year beginning July, 1938-39

Yr. begin- ning July:	Fresh			Dried			
	Apples	Pears		Apples	Apricots	Prunes	Raisins
	Bushels	Bushels		Short tons	Short tons	Short tons	Short tons
1938							
July ...	121,358	159,036		593	896	4,992	3,419
Aug. ...	308,305	629,739		701	4,181	6,864	2,891
Sept. ...	1,286,150	781,086		608	4,067	5,546	9,138
Oct. ...	1,519,927	714,803		2,776	1,276	22,050	18,259
Nov. ...	1,230,645	369,073		2,515	918	16,735	13,359
Dec. ...	1,672,727	569,349		1,932	692	9,956	7,783
Jan. ...	2,395,748	107,393		1,743	527	7,284	4,804
1939							
July ...	107,616	178,880		330	1,154	4,760	4,961
Aug. ...	285,919	391,398		228	4,610	4,448	2,771
Sept. ...	348,401	290,544		165	3,419	3,754	7,837
Oct. ...	665,943	478,322		2,403	3,673	15,268	27,351
Nov. ...	700,951	275,582		1,805	352	7,017	4,368
Dec. ...	338,006	132,798		1,129	727	2,731	3,385
Jan. ...							

Table 10.- California canned fruits

Year	Apricots	Cherries	Fruit : cocktail	Fruit : salad	Pears	Peaches		Total
						Clingstone	Freestone	
			1,000 cases No. 2½ cans					
			Supply (pack and carry-over)					
1935	3,391	155	1/	1/	2,038	12,686	396	18,666
1936	3,743	221	2,595	1,656	2,696	12,165	567	23,643
1937	5,781	246	3,642	1,635	1,852	13,703	1,112	27,971
1938	3,852	331	3,337	1,348	1,993	15,024	811	26,696
1939	3,866	493	3,999	1,617	1,566	13,317	1,152	26,010
			Shipments June 1 to January 1					
1935	1,811	97	1/	1/	1,196	6,217	156	9,477
1936	2,663	149	1,201	717	1,436	7,415	496	14,077
1937	2,579	157	1,441	726	1,058	6,072	428	12,463
1938	2,343	251	1,856	880	1,124	8,053	324	14,831
1939	2,600	184	1,874	1,047	988	7,566	461	14,720
			Stocks January 1					
1936	1,581	59	1/	1/	841	6,469	230	9,180
1937	1,080	72	1,345	787	1,260	4,750	301	9,595
1938	3,202	89	2,116	813	793	7,631	684	15,328
1939	1,509	80	1,412	445	869	6,970	487	11,772
1940	1,266	309	2,056	547	578	5,751	690	11,197
			Shipments January 1 to June 1					
1936	726	38	1/	1/	560	4,540	117	5,981
1937	802	66	1,009	499	907	3,252	232	6,767
1938	897	52	821	372	426	2,053	249	4,870
1939	981	55	1,124	374	650	4,233	218	7,635
1940								
			Stocks June 1					
1936	855	21	385	190	281	1,929	113	3,774
1937	278	6	336	288	353	1,498	69	2,828
1938	2,305	37	1,295	441	367	5,578	435	10,458
1939	528	25	288	71	219	2,737	269	4,137
1940								

Compiled by Western Canner and Packer from reports of Canners League of California.

1/ Not available.

Table 11.- Fruits: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted))specified weeks, 1940 with comparisons

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended					
		1939	1940				
		Feb. 11	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27	Feb. 3	Feb. 10
New York		Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Apples: 1/	Bushels:						
Baldwin	"	1.15	1.00	.82	.89	1.02	.99
Delicious	"	1.45	1.17	1.12	1.21	1.23	1.34
McIntosh 2/	"	1.70	1.22	1.05	1.16	1.12	1.23
Rhode Island, Greening:	"	1.12	.95	.88	.88	.96	1.01
Strawberries, Florida ..	Pint	.11	.20	.17	.20	.24	.27
Chicago							
Apples: 1/	Bushels:						
Delicious, midwestern :	"	1.89	1.28	1.32	1.44	1.44	1.44
Jonathan, eastern and :							
midwestern	"	1.86	1.25	1.30	1.42	1.41	1.48
McIntosh, eastern and :							
midwestern	"	1.62	1.16	1.15	1.19	1.22	1.24
Rhode Island, Greening :							
eastern and midwestern:	"	1.24	1.06	1.08	1.06	1.10	1.13
Strawberries, Florida ..	Pint	.12	.20	.17	.21	.23	.25

1/ Two and one-half inch minimum.

2/ Excluding Vermont McIntosh.

Table 12.- Fruit: Carlot (rail and boat) shipments from originating points in the United States for the week ended February 10, with comparisons

Item	Week ended					
	1939	1940				
	Feb. 11	January			February	
		13	20	27	3	10
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Commercial						
Apples (western)	752	507	533	632	666	629
Apples (eastern)	328	235	247	342	422	370
Grapefruit	1,058	997	844	730	1,132	675
Grapes	1	12	17	13	6	11
Lemons	214	228	195	216	267	281
Mixed citrus	554	472	420	393	415	140
Mixed deciduous	7	19	18	14	8	20
Oranges and satsumas	2,292	1,877	2,236	2,642	3,002	1,092
Pears	48	82	82	90	73	58
Strawberries	134	3	3	0	0	0
Tangerines	159	152	160	101	54	27
Total	5,547	4,584	4,755	5,173	6,045	3,303
Relief						
Apples	0	261	313	220	470	296
Grapefruit	198	0	0	0	0	0
Oranges and satsumas	26	164	188	158	32	1
Pears	0	40	64	36	19	10
Grand total	5,771	5,049	5,320	5,587	6,566	3,610

Table 13. - Apples and pears: Cold storage holdings

Commodity	Unit	Feb. 1, 5-yr. av.: 1935-39	Feb. 1, 1939	Jan. 1, 1940	Feb. 1, 1940
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
<u>Fruits, fresh</u>					
Apples	Barrels	358	149	202	156
Apples	Western boxes	11,190	10,520	10,286	8,199
Apples	Eastern boxes	1/	1/	7,788	5,787
Apples	Bushel baskets	9,697	10,006	7,518	5,858
Total apples	Bushels	21,961	20,973	26,198	20,312
Pears, Bartletts	Packed boxes	---	9	41	41
Pears, Bartletts	Loose boxes	---	6	3	1
Pears, all other varieties	Boxes	602	796	1,138	670
Pears	Bushel baskets	30	68	13	4
Total pears	Boxes and bu. baskets	632	879	1,195	716

1/ Previously included with "bushel baskets."

Table 14.- Frozen fruits: Cold storage holdings, by varieties,
February 1, 1940, with comparisons

Commodity	Jan. 1, 5-yr. av.: 1935-39	Feb. 1, 5-yr. av.: 1935-39	Feb. 1, 1939	Jan. 1, 1940	Feb. 1, 1940
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Blackberries	Data		2,625	5,556	4,906
Blueberries	for		5,092	5,098	4,531
Cherries	these		18,171	23,037	21,036
Logan and similar berries ..	earlier		2,969	2,685	1,983
Raspberries	years		7,351	8,215	7,461
Strawberries	not		33,686	37,391	34,203
Other fruits	com-		17,487	22,109	18,383
Classification not reported	parable		29,377	24,246	24,596
Total	92,993	86,550	116,758	128,337	117,099

Table 15.- Apples: Holdings in cold storage, by States

State	Feb. 1, 1940					Feb. 1, 1939
	Barrels	Boxes		Baskets	Total	Total
		Western	Eastern		bushels	bushels
	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-
	sands	sands	sands	sands	sands	sands
Vermont	---	---	94	---	94	44
Connecticut ...	---	---	243	---	243	205
Massachusetts..	---	6	573	2	581	307
New York	26	15	3,115	983	4,191	3,457
New Jersey	1	10	214	330	557	755
Pennsylvania ..	21	16	247	782	1,108	1,090
Ohio	---	5	148	349	502	269
Indiana	---	4	43	105	152	127
Illinois	---	20	151	359	540	552
Michigan	---	2	195	471	668	716
Wisconsin	---	11	14	42	67	65
Minnesota	---	24	---	7	31	63
Missouri	---	24	49	293	366	289
Virginia	98	58	491	1,521	2,364	2,169
West Virginia :	6	6	29	217	270	234
Texas	---	43	---	---	43	67
Washington	---	6,614	---	---	6,614	7,797
Oregon	---	438	---	---	438	634
California	---	844	---	---	844	1,452
Other States ..	4	59	181	387	639	681
United States:	156	8,199	5,787	5,858	20,312	20,973

Table 16.- Percentage distribution of apple holdings among important varieties, by geographic divisions and the United States 1/

Variety	New	Middle	East	West	South			
	Eng-	At-	North	North	At-	Moun-	Pa-	United
	land	lantic	Central	Central	lantic	tain	cific	States
Baldwin	30	23	14	---	---	---	---	9
Ben Davis and Gano..	---	3	6	15	6	8	---	3
Cortland	1	2	---	---	---	---	---	1
Delicious	3	5	14	19	5	---	21	12
Greening (R.I.)	1	7	1	---	---	---	---	2
McIntosh	57	35	2	1	---	---	---	13
Northern Spy	3	5	4	---	---	---	---	2
Rome Beauty	1	6	11	---	8	51	4	6
Stayman	---	3	9	---	10	---	---	3
Winesap	---	---	3	9	32	40	62	30
Yellow Newtown								
(Albemarle Pippin):	---	---	---	---	10	---	10	5
York Imperial	---	2	---	7	21	---	---	4
Other varieties	4	9	36	49	8	1	3	10

1/ Based on reports of concerns holding about three-fifths of the total apples in cold storage on February 1.

Table 17.- Cold storage holdings, February 1, 1940, by geographic divisions

: New : Middle: East : West : South : East : West : South : Pa- : Total													
Commodity		Unit		Eng- : At- : North : North : At- : South : South : Central:Central:tain : cific:		Thou- : Thou-							

